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**Request
For
Continued Examination (RCE)
Transmittal**

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<i>Application Number</i>	09/663,551
<i>Filing Date</i>	September 18, 2000
<i>First Named Inventor</i>	Thompson, Mark R.
<i>Art Unit</i>	2676
<i>Examiner Name</i>	Wesner Sajous
<i>Attorney Docket Number</i>	019396-001400US

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 CFR 1.114 of the above-identified application. Request for Continued Examination (RCE) practice under 37 CFR 1.114 does not apply to any utility or plant application filed prior to June 8, 1995, or to any design application. See Instruction Sheet for RCEs (not to be submitted to the USPTO) on page 2.

1. **Submission required under 37 CFR 1.114** Note: If the RCE is proper, any previously filed unentered amendments and amendments enclosed with the RCE will be entered in the order in which they were filed unless applicant instructs otherwise. If applicant does not wish to have any previously filed unentered amendment(s) entered, applicant must request non-entry of such amendment(s).
 - a. Previously submitted. If a final Office action is outstanding, any amendments filed after the final Office action may be considered as a submission even if this box is not checked.
 - i. Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on _____
 - ii. Other _____
 - b. Enclosed
 - i. Amendment/Reply
 - ii. Affidavit(s)/ Declaration(s)
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2. **Miscellaneous**
 - a. Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 CFR 1.103(c) for a period of _____ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 CFR 1.17(i) required)
 - b. Other _____
 3. **Fees** The RCE fee under 37 CFR 1.17(e) is required by 37 CFR 1.114 when the RCE is filed.
 - a. The Director is hereby authorized to charge the following fees, or credit any overpayments, to Deposit Account No. 20-1430
 - i. RCE fee required under 37 CFR 1.17(e)
 - ii. Extension of time fee (37 CFR 1.136 and 1.17)
 - iii. Other _____
 - b. Check in the amount of \$ _____ enclosed
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Signature	<i>William F. Vobach</i>	Date	March 19, 2004

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FEE TRANSMITTAL for FY 2004

Effective 10/01/2003. Patent fees are subject to annual revision.

Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27

TOTAL AMOUNT OF PAYMENT (\$ 880)

Complete if Known

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FEE CALCULATION

1. BASIC FILING FEE

Large Entity	Small Entity
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Fee Code	Fee (\$)	Fee Code	Fee (\$)	Fee Description	Fee Paid
1001	770	2001	385	Utility filing fee	
1002	340	2002	170	Design filing fee	
1003	530	2003	265	Plant filing fee	
1004	770	2004	385	Reissue filing fee	
1005	160	2005	80	Provisional filing fee	

SUBTOTAL (1) (\$)

2. EXTRA CLAIM FEES FOR UTILITY AND REISSUE

Total Claims	-**	Extra Claims		Fee from below	Fee Paid
			X		
Independent Claims	-**		X		
Multiple Dependent	-**		X		
				X	

Large Entity	Small Entity
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Fee Code	Fee (\$)	Fee Code	Fee (\$)	Fee Description
1202	18	2202	9	Claims in excess of 20
1201	86	2201	43	Independent claims in excess of 3
1203	290	2203	145	Multiple dependent claim, if not paid
1204	86	2204	43	** Reissue independent claims over original patent
1205	18	2205	9	** Reissue claims in excess of 20 and over original patent

SUBTOTAL (2) (\$)

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FEE CALCULATION (continued)

3. ADDITIONAL FEES

Large Entity	Fee Code	Fee (\$)	Small Entity	Fee Code	Fee (\$)	Fee Description	Fee Paid
	1051	130		2051	65	Surcharge - late filing fee or oath	
	1052	50		2052	25	Surcharge - late provisional filing fee or cover sheet	
	1053	130		1053	130	Non-English specification	
	1812	2,520		1812	2,520	For filing a request for reexamination	
	1804	920*		1804	920*	Requesting publication of SIR prior to Examiner action	
	1805	1,840*		1805	1,840*	Requesting publication of SIR after Examiner action	
	1251	110		2251	55	Extension for reply within first month	110
	1252	420		2252	210	Extension for reply within second month	
	1253	950		2253	475	Extension for reply within third month	
	1254	1,480		2254	740	Extension for reply within fourth month	
	1255	2,010		2255	1,005	Extension for reply within fifth month	
	1401	330		2401	165	Notice of Appeal	
	1402	330		2402	165	Filing a brief in support of an appeal	
	1403	290		2403	145	Request for oral hearing	
	1451	1,510		1451	1,510	Petition to institute a public use proceeding	
	1452	110		2452	55	Petition to revive – unavoidable	
	1453	1,330		2453	665	Petition to revive – unintentional	
	1501	1,330		2501	665	Utility issue fee (or reissue)	
	1502	480		2502	240	Design issue fee	
	1503	640		2503	320	Plant issue fee	
	1460	130		1460	130	Petitions to the Commissioner	
	1807	50		1807	50	Petitions related to provisional applications	
	1806	180		1806	180	Submission of Information Disclosure Stmt	
	8021	40		8021	40	Recording each patent assignment per property (times number of properties)	
	1809	770		2809	385	Filing a submission after final rejection (37 CFR § 1.129(a))	
	1810	770		2810	385	For each additional invention to be examined (37 CFR § 1.129(b))	
	1801	770		2801	385	Request for Continued Examination (RCE)	770
	1802	900		1802	900	Request for expedited examination of a design application	

Other fee (specify) _____

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